



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

HEADQUARTERS, FIRES BRIGADE, 4TH EXPEDITIONARY DIVISION
FORT HOOD, TEXAS 76544

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

AFYB-DA-CO

25 August 2004

COMMAND POLICY MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Commander's Safety Policy

1. REFERENCES:

- a. Army Regulation 385-10, The Army Safety Program
- b. Army Regulation 385-40, Accident Reporting
- c. Army Regulation 385-55, Prevention of Motor Vehicle Accidents
- d. Army Regulation 672-74, Army Accident Prevention Awards Program

2. STAFF PROPONENCY: Fires Brigade Safety Officer

3. PURPOSE: To address my policy regarding safety.

4. SCOPE: This command guidance memorandum applies to all personnel assigned or attached to the 4th Expeditionary Division Fires Brigade.

5. CONCEPT: Safeguarding our soldiers and equipment is the most important thing we do and can also be one of the greatest leadership challenges we face. A safe, successful mission requires strong leadership, adherence to standards, planned training, supervision, and risk management. As the Fires Brigade Commander, I am also the Fires Brigade Safety Officer, and I expect every commander and leader to be a Safety Officer/NCO as well, taking personal responsibility for the safety of the soldiers entrusted to their care. Accident prevention and reporting are an integral part of training in the Fires Brigade and are also a part of every leader's performance standards.

6. SPECIFICS:

- a. Commanders will ensure every soldier abides by safety rules in garrison and the field; all soldiers are responsible for accident prevention and must speak up if unsafe conditions exist.
- b. All leaders will use the 5-step risk management process for all aspects of planning and training. Leaders will take immediate action against violations of established safety procedures.
- c. Batteries will execute, and report to Brigade the completion of, quarterly "Safety Day" training to keep soldiers informed of acceptable behavior and accident reporting procedures.

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d. Leaders will augment the Army Safety Awards Program (AR 672-74) with battery/battalion recognition due to outstanding accident prevention efforts and acts for those soldiers who unfailingly do the right thing at all times.

7. A successful safety program requires vigilant leadership and responsibility. Mission success is one without an accidental loss of life, limb, or eyesight. No training event is worth the life of a soldier. I am confident you will continue our superb safety record. Remember, our live-fire priorities are: safety, accuracy, and then speed.

8. Post a copy of this letter and the Enclosure 3 (Vehicle Safety) on all unit bulletin boards; ensure all incoming personnel read and understand it as part of their unit in-briefing; and retrain all personnel quarterly.

9. POC for this memorandum is CPT Michael Sapp, Fires Brigade Safety Officer, 287-7313.



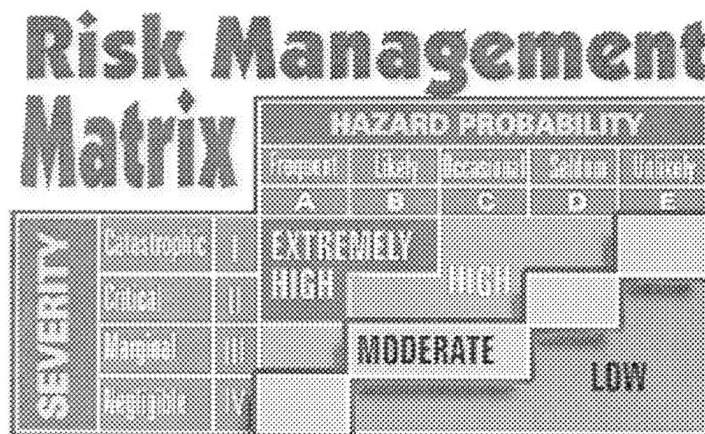
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ENCLOSURES:

1. Leader Safety Fundamentals
2. Where We Are – Risk Analysis
3. Vehicle Safety
4. Motorcycle Safety Handbook
5. Motorcycle Safety Quiz
6. Motorcycle Registration
7. Motorcycle Inspection Checklist
8. Motorcycle Contract
9. Safety Assessment
10. At-Risk Soldier Matrix

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6: Final Hazard Assessment**Hazard Identification for:** Michael
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